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The Weathermen Underground was the cleverest, the most vicious and, therefore, the most dangerous of the variegated bands of radicals and terrorists who did everything possible to undermine the security of our troops in the field in Vietnam.

The Weathermen's aim was the overthrow of our constitutional system. They set themselves up as urban guerrillas, studied terrorist tactics in Cuba, and forthrightly declared war on the rest of us.

During the period of John Kearney's diligent efforts to catch them, the Weathermen were industrious bombmakers and snipers. Their targets included a sniper attack on a police station in Massachusetts; the bombing of a bank in New York City; the bombing of the Pentagon, and a National Guard armory in California, and so on.

Kearney's defense is our defense!

What Kearney did was in the line of duty. It was clearly proper under a Department of Justice directive signed by Attorney General Ramsey Clark in September 1967. Clark's order said:

"It is imperative that the Department seek to obtain the most comprehensive intelligence possible regarding organization or other possible stimulation of domestic dissention, civil disorders, and riots. To carry out these responsibilities we must make full use of and constantly endeavor to increase and refine the intelligence available to us..."

Even the average "Mission Impossible" viewer would understand that Clark's order included the most sophisticated methods, including wiretap and mail cover intelligence techniques.

While the recent trends are to blind the FBI and CIA by seeking to terminate the use of essential counterintelligence techniques, why go back 7 years to apply these new rules to Kearney?

We believe that the answer to this question is obvious. The intent is to deliver a clear and open order to everyone in the intelligence community that the normal modus operandi of effective national counterintelligence activities are no longer to be tolerated.

That's why we've set up the Security and Intelligence Fund to defend John Kearney and any others in the intelligence community who have served their country in the line of duty ...and may now be forced to use their life savings to defend themselves.

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Most of the founding members of this Fund have had professional experience in counterintelligence, military intelligence and foreign affairs at the policy level.

But, we are starting late and we need your help.

Since 1948 the Communists have been running a campaign to defame and discredit U.S. departments and intelligence agencies responsible for national security. Their main targets have been the FBI and the CIA.

In the early 1960's our intelligence community obtained full details of this plan.

Congressman C. Melvin Price, now Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, put a summary of this secret plan into the Congressional Record on September 28, 1965. (page 25391) This showed that a central purpose of the Disinformation Department of the KGB was to:

"Destroy the confidence of the Congress and the American public in U.S. personnel and agencies engaged in anti-Communist and cold war activity."

In 1951 the U.S. Communist Party set up a front called the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (so cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities).

The ECLC devised "OPERATION ABOLITION" to campaign for the elimination of intelligence activities like: (1) the House Committee on Internal Security; (2) the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee; (3) the internal security committees in state legislatures; (4) state and city police files on subversives; (5) the Subversive Activities Control Board; (6) the Internal Security Division of the Department of Justice; (7) the counterintelligence functions of the CIA; and (8) the internal security functions of the FBI.

All of the above have been abolished except for the FBI and CIA.

But, the FBI and the CIA have been so badly shattered that they no longer have adequate internal security or counterintelligence capabilities. If they are to recover these, they need help NOW.

For this reason the Security and Intelligence Fund has been established as a lobby to work toward stopping this bizarre prosecution of John Kearney.

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Our longer range objective is the revitalization of the national intelligence and counterintelligence capabilities of the FBI, CIA, Defense Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency.

We are already under way as you can see from the enclosed clipping from the Washington Post.

The more Americans who join with us, the more attention President Carter, Attorney General Bell and Members of Congress will give to setting aside the prosecution of John Kearney and others and to apply their minds to rebuilding our intelligence community.

You can be sure that we'll let the President, the Attorney General and the Congress know where you and other members stand. In the meantime, we urge you to write them yourself.

We urgently invite you to join with us as a charter, sponsoring or founding member.

Please use the enclosed membership form and reply envelope to participate in the defense of our intelligence community.

Sincerely,

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P.S. Because of its importance, we will send each member a special reprint of THE SOVIET AND COMMUNIST BLOC DEFAMATION CAMPAIGN, cited above, which outlines the KGB's secret plan to discredit our intelligence agencies and other American institutions. You will also receive regular reports on what we are doing to counter that plan.